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One morning, the house fairy became sick.

"What's wrong, fairy?"
"I don't know..."

"Oh my, you have a fever
Get some rest today"
"But Angel-nim. There is
still a lot of housework."
"It's okay. I will do it this
time. Would you like me to
warm some milk for you?"

The house furry became worried for the following days. Even so he was happy because the Angel was with him.

The end

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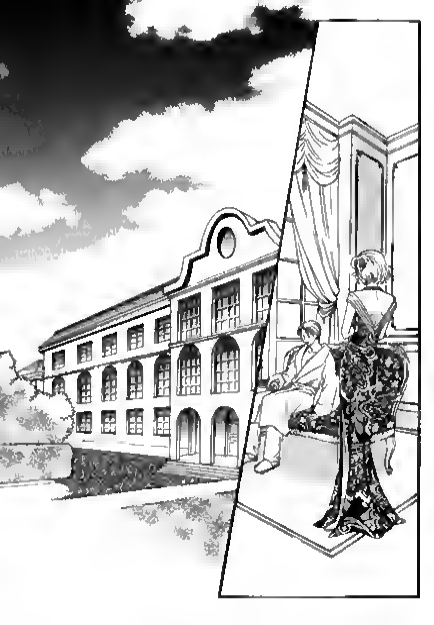
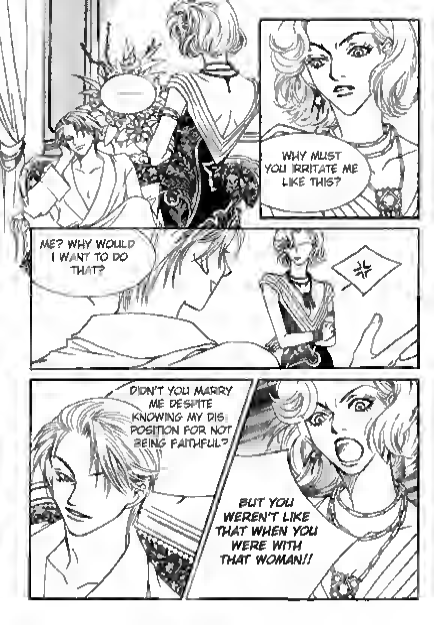


DO I LOOK LIKE SOME KIND OF PUSHOVER TO YOU?
A PUSHOVER? YOU DARLING? WHY WOULD I...
ISN'T IT TIME FOR YOU TO STOP NOW DARLING?
YOU EITHER CHEAT ON ME BEHIND MY BACK OR AT THE VERY LEAST DON'T BRING BACK "EVIDENCE" OF YOUR INFIDELITY...
ALWAYS BRINGING HOME A KID...

AS THOUGH YOU WANT ME TO SEE THEM
DIDN'T WE MAKE A DEAL THAT YOU WOULDN'T BE NOSY ABOUT MY LIFE?
BUT I'M YOUR WIFE!

I HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK WHEN IT COMES TO THIS KIND OF THING!!
YOU DO USUALLY.


WHY MUST YOU IRRITATE ME LIKE THIS?
ME? WHY WOULD I WANT TO DO THAT?
DIDN'T YOU MARRY ME DESPITE KNOWING MY DISPOSITION FOR NOT BEING FAITHFUL?
BUT YOU WEREN'T LIKE THAT WHEN YOU WERE WITH THAT WOMAN!!

THAT WAS BECAUSE THE TIMES WERE HARD. BESIDES, I LACKED THE MONEY.
One can only cheat if one can afford it.
GLARE
ANYWAY
I CAN'T CONDONE YOUR BEHAVIOR FROM NOW ON
LOOK HERE.

THAT'S A VIOLATION OF THE CONTRACT
I DON'T CARE IF IT'S A VIOLATION OR NOT. I CAN'T STAND IT ANYMORE!
I SHOULD HAVE NOTICED IT WHEN YOU SAID YOU WOULD TAKE CARE OF RUCI
YOUR MOTIVES
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? THE ONE WHO INTRODUCED ME TO ELENA WAS YOU, DARLING
TO MAKE ME DIVORCE MY PREVIOUS WIFE...

THERE WASN'T ANY NEED FOR YOU TO GO AS FAR AS TAKING CARE OF THE KID
WELL IN ANY CASE HE'S MY BLOOD BESIDES YOU SAID YOU WOULD TAKE CARE OF ALL MY CHILDREN, RIGHT?
LET ME WARN YOU
IF THIS WERE TO HAPPEN AGAIN

I WILL GET RID OF THAT WHICH IS MOST PRECIOUS TO YOU!
SMIRK
DO I HAVE SUCH A THING?
I SEE THEN YOU WOULDN'T MIND IF I GET RID OF IT

clench
close shut
HAA

"NEXT MONTH DURING THE PARTY WE ARE HOSTING I WILL INTRODUCE YOU TO YOUR FIANCE "
GRANDFATHER, I AM NOT YET
YOU WILL, OF COURSE, MARRY ONLY AFTER YOU'VE GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL. HOWEVER, WITH HER BACKGROUND AND STATUS I SUGGEST YOU TRY TO CATCH THE GIRL EARLY
IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO MEET ANOTHER GIRL LIKE THIS BOTH HOUSES HAVE ALREADY AGREED TO THIS PROPOSITION
NOW THE ONLY THING LEFT IS FOR YOU TO ACCEPT THIS
BUT GRAND-FA-THER, I'M..!
"WHAT IS IT" IS THERE SOMEONE YOU LIKE?"

.....
TCH!
FORGET HER.
AS YOU KNOW MARRIAGES BETWEEN THE GREAT FAMILIES* ARE DIFFERENT FROM THE COMMONERS.
THIS IS BUSINESS
WE CALCULATE THE FAMILY WHICH WOULD BENEFIT US MOST. IT IS BEST TO USE ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING ONE CAN

SINCE YOU'RE THE ONE TAKING OVER THE FAMILY BUSINESS YOU MUST BEAR THIS IN MIND
IF YOU DON'T KNOW AT LEAST THIS MUCH THEN YOU CAN'T BE THE SUCCESSOR
I KNOW THAT
BUT IS THIS THE CHOSUN DYNASTY?! DO I REALLY HAVE TO MARRY A GIRL WHOSE FACE I DON'T EVEN KNOW THAT THE ELDERS PICKED OUT FOR ME?
WHAT'S WITH THE WHOLE ONE-SIDEDNESS OF TH S?! AREN'T I THE ONE GETTING MARRIED?? WHY DO I HAVE TO ACCEPT THIS COMPLETELY ONE-SIDED PROPOSAL AS IF IT'S SOME KIND OF MILITARY COMMAND?
YO~

WHAT DID GRANDFATHER SAY?
IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS
SMIRK
ANYWAY, I GUESS YOUR POSITION AS SUCCESSOR WAS BEEN DECIDED. THE ONLY DAUGHTER OF J-GROUP, HUH

THE ONLY DAUGHTER OF J-GROUP?
HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT?
I HAVE MY SOURCES.
LUCKY YOU. SHE'S QUITE BEAUTIFUL, THAT GIRL.
IT DOESN'T MATTER EITHER WAY
GRANDFATHER ONLY WANTS TO KNOW J-GROUP'S MERITS FOR SOME NEW IDEA OF HIS
I—
AND?
WHAT WILL YOU DO?
WHAT?

ARE YOU GOING TO DO AS YOU'RE BID?
OR...
I CAN'T DISOBEY GRANDFATHER'S WILL
OH YEAH? POOR THING
BUMP
THEN

.. SHE'S MINE .
!
YOU LITTLE!
Hesitate

WHAT'S WRONG? YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HIT ME?
FORGET IT. THERE'S NO USE IN GETTING ANGRY AT YOU.
I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT ANYMORE.
P'S
SED

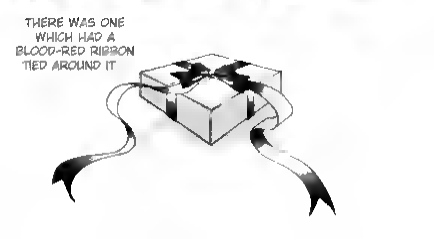
YOU SCUM, DO YOU LIKE MONEY THAT MUCH?
WOULD YOU GO THAT FAR JUST TO BE THE SUCCESSOR?
YOU CHASED AFTER HER BECAUSE YOU LIKED HER, BUT WITH A SINGLE WORD FROM GRAMPS YOU COMPLETELY CHANGED HUH?
WELL, I GUESS OUR HOUSE DOES NEED A LOT OF MONEY

I'M DIFFERENT FROM YOU
YOU WERE HERE FROM THE BEGINNING. UNLIKE YOU, I SUFFERED BECAUSE I DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY
IF WE HAD A LITTLE MORE MONEY, THEN MOTHER WOULDN'T HAVE HAD TO SUFFER LIKE THAT BEFORE SHE PASSED AWAY
YOU'RE RIGHT. I'VE NEVER HAD TO GO THROUGH ANY HARD TIMES LIKE YOU

BECAUSE MY MOM WAS A PRO AT RAKING MONEY IN
WHAT?
HEH!
HEY!
WAIT!
FOR THAT GUY TO TALK ABOUT HIS MOTHER
WHAT'S GOING ON?

THAT USELESS PUNK! SO THAT'S HOW HE'S GOING TO DO THINGS, HUH
HEH.. WELL I GUESS HE WAS ALWAYS LIKE THAT
HIS ONE AND ONLY GOAL WAS TO BECOME THE SUCCESSOR.
WITH THAT IMPASSIVE FACE AND AROGANT DEMEANOR OF HIS
I HATE IT WHY CAN'T HE JUST BE HONEST WITH HIMSELF?
AND HERE I THOUGHT I WOULD FINALLY BE ABLE TO SEE THAT MASK OF HIS CRUMBLE APART.
SHUR IT'S COME DOWN THIS I'M REALLY GOING TO GO FOR IT THEN
DON'T REGRET THINGS LATER, SHIN GYU-YUN

light
up
THERE'S A MYSTERY REGARDING THE STUDENT COUNCIL ROOM.
...ONG AGO...WHEN THE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL CLOSED OFF HIS PRIVATE OFFICE...
HE...OF COURSE MOVED ALL THE ITEMS OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL TO THE STUDENT COUNCIL ROOM. HOWEVER,


THERE WAS ONE WHICH HAD A BLOOD-RED RIBBON TIED AROUND IT

THE PRESIDENT WOULD NEVER LET ANYONE OPEN IT, OR TO EVEN TOUCH IT.
THUS FOR SEVERAL MONTHS THE BOX WAS NEVER TOUCHED BUT
ONE DAY, A MEMBER OF THE STUDENT BODY FOUND THE BOX WHILE CLEANING...
?
JOB
HE ENDED UP KNOCKING IT DOWN, CAUSING THE RIBBON TO UNRAVEL ITSELF...
A... AND ...?
SHAKE SHAKE SHAKE
AND INSIDE THAT BOX-
there was a blood-stained female uniform...
SLAM OPEN
HEEK!
KYAA!

WHAT ARE YOU ALL DOING HERE?
PRESIDENT?
PRESIDENT?
IN A DARK PLACE LIKE THIS WITHOUT TURNING ON THE LIGHTS...
WE GOT BORED WHILE PLANNING FOR THE SCHOOL FIELD TRIP SO...
WE WERE TELLING HORROR STORIES.
OH YEAH? SO WHY IS YOO-MIN OVER THERE LIKE THAT?
MOTHER NATURE GOD ALLAH...
ONE SHEEP, TWO SHEEP, THE NAME OF THE DOG BEHIND MARY'S HOUSE
don't get it out of my head
HUH?
WHAT IS HE DOING?

KEEEEEE
OH I FORGOT HE'S NOT GOOD WITH THESE KIND OF STORIES
BUT STILL WHO WOULD RESPOND LIKE THAT?
WELL, I GUESS I'LL STICK HERE AND JUST GO HOME
BE CAREFUL ON YOUR WAY HOME
LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE WILL HAVE TO TAKE YOO-MIN HOME
I'm the PRESIDENT!
W...WHAT?

PRESIDENT, YOU HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THE "ITEM THAT HAD A BLOOD-RED RIBBON TIED AROUND IT"
WHICH CONTAINED A BLOOD-STAINED FEMALE UNIFORM", RIGHT?
W WHAT'S THAT?
I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THAT
I TRUST YOU, PRESIDENT
IT WAS TOO GRUESOME A STORY
HAAA...EXACTLY WHAT WERE THEY DOING...?
ARGH FORGET IT
THE FOLLOWING DAY...
AN "ITEM THAT HAD A BLOOD-RED RIBBON TIED AROUND IT WHICH CONTAINED A BLOOD-STAINED FEMALE UNIFORM"
I FEEL LIKE I'VE HEARD OF IT SOMEWHERE
I HAVE TOO MANY THINGS TO WORRY ABOUT

IS GYU-YUN HERE?
AH EUN-AH SUNBAE
COME IN THE PRESIDENT WILL BE A LITTLE LATE
SO WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?
OH
TA DA ~ I COMPLETED IT
BLUE
HUH?
WHAT'S THAT?

W WHAT IS THIS SILENCE?
HUH? DIDN'T YOU TELL ME TO MAKE A REMEDY FOR THE INK THAT WAS ALL OVER YOUR FACE?
CRAP! THAT'S RIGHT...
YOU'RE A LITTLE LATE HAHA. IT JUST DISAPPEARED ALL OF A SUDDEN
IT DID?
I SEE~
AH!
pressed
SUNBAE I KNOW YOU GAVE IT YOUR ALL SO WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?
OH NO I'VE DISAPPOINTED SUNBAE
AND I WORKED REALLY HARD ON IT TOO
IF THE PRESIDENT FINDS OUT HE WON'T JUST STAND FOR IT
DRINK THIS
GULP

WHAT?
TRY DRINKING THIS!
HEEK
SUNRAE
THAT'S AN INK REMOVAL REMEDY RIGHT?
YEP BUT THAT WAS THE TRICK
BECAUSE YOU HAVE INK ON YOUR FACE YOU WOULD THINK YOU WOULD HAVE TO PUT SOMETHING ON YOUR FACE TO REMOVE IT RIGHT?
BUT THE CORRECT WAY TO REMOVE IT IS NOT TO PUT SOMETHING ON YOUR FACE BUT TO DRINK SOMETHING. THAT'S WHY I NEEDED TO THINK ABOUT THIS IN A "NEW WAY" I really need to respect the way my [illegible] thinks
AH HA I SEE THE LOGIC IS SOUND THAT'S WHY IT DISAP-PEARED UNKNOW-INGLY

SO, HERE TRY THIS
OK. THEN JUST TAKE A LITTLE SIP
WHY IS IT SO NOISY IN HERE?
SUNRAE- DIDN'T I SAY THAT THE INK MARK WENT AWAY LONG AGO?
SUNRAE- TaT
PRESIDENT!
I'M SAVED
GYU-YUN!
HUK! EUN-AH!!
I LOOK AT THIS I MADE THE REMEDY
PRESIDENT! SUNRAE KEEPS TELLING ME TO DRINK THAT
WHAT SHOULD I DO? GRANDFATHER SAID...
OH YEAH? GOOD JOB!

WHAT??
I DID A GOOD JOB?
YEAH
SAY IT~
CAN YOU SAY IT ONE MORE TIME?
SURE
YOU DID A GOOD JOB, EUN-AH

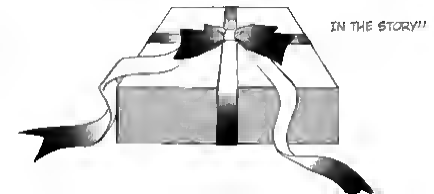
EUN-AH IS SO HAPPY
I GOT A COMPLIMENT FROM GYU-YUN
DAMN I CAN'T DO THIS
SORRY
I JUST REMEMBERED THAT I HAD FORGOTTEN SOMETHING
WAIT! GYU-YUN

WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM?
WHO KNOWS THAT WAS VERY UNLIKE PRES DENT
HUK
TURN
ANYWAY, JUST TAKE A SIP
NO!!!
H HOW CUTE...
small laugh
SHOOT! WHY IS SHE SO CUTE? SO MUCH THAT IT MAKES A PERSON GO CRAZY

BUT IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT SHE'S LIKE
I HAVE TO FORGET
SLAM
DAMN!
BECAUSE I HAVE TO FORGET ABOUT HER.

THE BOX THAT APPEARED ---

IN THE STORY!!



B BUT...
swallow
IT'S UNTIED! IT'S ALREADY UNTIED! BAAHH~!! INSIDE THAT IS A BLOOD-STAINED UNIFORM.
NO!!!
PASS
WHAT IS THIS BOX?
PULL
PULL
AH~ IT'S A UNIFORM.
WHAT IS
OH NO! THAT "STORY" WAS REAL

HUH? IT'S NEW
T...T-THAT MEANS THAT THE PRESIDENT FROM THE STORY IS...
OUR PRESIDENT!!
IMAGINATION
WHAT EXACTLY ARE YOU TRYING TO PULL?! PRESIDENT!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

YOU LITTLE DON'T YOU HAVE ANYTHING BETTER TO DO? ALWAYS FOLLOWING ME
WHO'S FOLLOWING WHO? I MERELY BUMPED INTO YOU BESIDES
I HEARD AN INTERESTING STORY...
LOOK AT THIS
IT FITS ME PERFECTLY
EUN-AH SUNBAE!
YEEEK
W... WHAT DID YOU JUST... WE DON'T EVEN KNOW IF THAT UNIFORM WAS COVERING A DEAD BODY!
S SUNBAE YOU SHOULDN'T JUST WEAR THAT WITHOUT THINKING
HUH? I GUESS...

BUT IT WAS EXACTLY MY SIZE. SO WITHOUT A SECOND THOUGHT...
PLEASE STOP IT'S SCARY
BUT I WONDER WHY GYU-YUN WOULD LEAVE A THING LIKE THIS HERE?
HUH? SUNBAE HOW DO YOU KNOW?
HUH?
HOW DO YOU KNOW IF IT'S THE PRESIDENT'S?
DON'T YOU KNOW? EVERYONE IS TALKING ABOUT IT...THE STORY OF "THE BOX THAT IS TIED WITH A RED RIBBON"
WH WHAT?!
T...THEN EVERY-ONE KNEW THAT THIS WAS THE PRESIDENT'S DOING?
dark
press
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
DO I REPORT THIS TO THE POLICE?
NO...THAT'S NOT IT

THERE IS WITHOUT A DOUBT A REASON FOR ALL OF THIS OTHERWISE THE PRESIDENT WOULD NEVER DO SOME THING LIKE THIS
IF BY ANY CHANCE THE PRESIDENT IS REALLY THE BAD GUY HERE EVERYONE NO I HAVE TO COVER UP FOR HIM
RESOLVE
IN ORDER TO DO THAT
I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO DESTROY THE EVIDENCE
Even though I'm scared
SUNBAE!
YEAH?
SHO
CK

W...WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "WHAT?" IT'S JUST AS I SAID.
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, INSIDE THE STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICE THERE SHOULD BE
WHAT?
DON'T KID ME. WHY WOULD THERE BE A FEMALE UNIFORM IN THE STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICE ?
AH!
?
DON'T TELL ME THAT?!
BEFORE THAT?

slam
frantic
searching
WHAT'S WRONG?
PRESI-DENT
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?
AROUND HERE WAS THERE BY ANY CHANCE
PRESIDENT..!
AH UM

A BOX ABOUT THIS BIG? IT HAD A RED RIBBON TIED AROUND IT...
STUMBLE
I... I NEVER SAW IT?
REALLY?
EUN-AH, WHAT ABOUT YOU?
UM
I SAW IT, EUN
YOO-MIN TOOK IT AND HID IT SOMEWHERE
WHAT?
I DIDN'T! I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING!

HEEK!
THEN
DID YOU SEE WHAT WAS INSIDE?
YEP
AH! SUNFAE DON'T ANSWER!
NOOOO!
AND?
IT WAS A GIRL'S UNIFORM...A NEW ONE!

AH SORRY I TRIED IT ON.
O OH NO! SHE DID SOMETHING IRREVERSIBLE
OH, DID YOU?
DID IT FIT YOU?
WE'RE ALL DEAD NOW
OH, IT WAS PERFECT
I'M GLAD I DIDN'T HAVE ANY MEASUREMENTS SO I WASN'T SURE
WHAT? WHY?
HUH?
REMEMBER THE TIME YOUR UNIFORM GOT RUINED DUE TO MY NOONAS?
W WHAT IS HE TALKING ABOUT...?!
I GOT IT THEN BUT I LEFT IT HERE AND COMPLETELY FORGOT ABOUT IT
T THEN

WHAT ABOUT THE BLOOD-STAINED UNIFORM AND THE FEMALE STUDENT?
WHAT?
I DON'T KNOW WHO STARTED THAT KIND OF RUMOR, BUT
AS SOON AS I HEARD ABOUT IT I RUSHED HERE
I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT I WAS GOING TO
I'M TELLING YOU IT WAS ALL JUST MADE UP

SORRY, I GUESS IT'S TOO LATE TO WEAR WINTER CLOTHES NOW...
WEAR IT NEXT TIME.
YEAH.
THANKS.
YOU'RE A REALLY GOOD PERSON.

YEAH
RIGHT. FRIEND. A GOOD FRIEND.
THAT'S RIGHT
IT'S BEST IF WE JUST STAY AS FRIENDS.

open
HUH?
WHAT'S GOING ON?

WHEEW!
SO SOMEBODY OPENED THE BOX.
WOW. THERE REALLY WAS A UNIFORM. A GIRL'S TOO.
WEIRD.
TAP
TAP
YOU!!
Were you, by any chance, the one who made up the story about the blood-stained uniform?

AH, ABOUT THAT
WELL THAT BOX WITH THE RED RIBBON DIDN'T GO WITH ANYTHING IN THE OFFICE SO I JUST LET MY IMAGINATION RUN WILD WITH WHAT IT COULD HAVE BEEN. YOU ACTUALLY BELIEVED ME?
GRRRRRR
A RED RIBBON, A BLOOD-STAINED UNIFORM.
HOW WAS IT? DOESN'T THAT JUST DRIP "MYSTERY"?
VEIN POP
YOU IDIOT! FORGET MYSTERIES AND ALL THAT! I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO DIE OF A HEART ATTACK TODAY!
WHAT'S WRONG?
WAAH
AND ON TOP OF THAT YOU SPREAD THAT KIND OF CHILDISH STORY AND TROUBLE THE PRESIDENT?
HUH? NO!

I NEVER TOLD ANYONE ABOUT THE STORY
THEN HOW DID THE RUMOR SPREAD?!
LOOK HERE!
IS IT A TRUE STORY THEN?!
EEAAK NO!

GYAAAAA
SUNBAE, WHO SHOULD I TELL NEXT?

THE PERPETRATOR!

Chapter 12

Transcendence

AN ORDER FROM HER ROYAL MAJESTY! ALL COMMONERS MUST TRY ON THE SHOE!
WHAT IS THIS?!
HEAR YE- GET IN LINE!

NEXT.
THE NEXT PERSON, PLEASE STEP UP!!
HEY, YOU. IT'S YOUR TURN.
ME?
OH MY LOOK AT HIS FEET.
IT'LL DEFINITELY FIT THIS ONE.
SFX: GULP
PLEASE, TRY THIS ON.
THE NEXT IN LINE, PLEASE STEP UP.

SFX: PERFECT
SFX: OOOOHH!!
REJOICE, YOUR MAJESTY WE HAVE FOUND THE SHOE'S OWNER!
YES...
ARE THEE THE OWNER OF THIS SHOE?

COME CLOSER.
SHOW ME THY FACE.
EUN-AH?
SFX: BLUSH
THOU ART THE ONE WHO STOLE MY HEART.
YOUR MAJESTY YOU CANNOT
THUS THOU WILL STAY BY MY SIDE.

WHO SPEAKS? SHOW YOURSELF!
YOU ARE BEING DECEIVED, YOUR MAJESTY.

WHAT? LIAR.
PLEASE LOOK OVER THERE, YOUR MAJESTY.
HUK, HUS-BAND
DAD?
THE WOMAN IS HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO CHILDREN, HIS BLOOD
HE TRICKED YOU, YOUR MAJESTY
HEEK
WHAT DO YOU MEAN CHILDREN
NO, I DID NOT LIE!

THE ONLY THING HER MAJESTY AND I EVER HAD BETWEEN US WAS FRIENDSHIP!
I'M TELLING THE TRUTH!
ISN'T THAT RIGHT YOUR MAJESTY...?
SHE GRIP
YOUR MAJESTY!
Silence.

YOUR MAJESTY!
YOUR MAJESTY, HOW COULD YOU..!!
YOUR MAJESTY!
BEHEAD HIM!

THAT'S THE SHOE I LEFT BEHIND?!
WHEN DID HE...?!
STOP IT!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH MY SHOE?!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO EUN AH?!

STOP IT!
DREAM OR NOT I DON'T WANT TO SEE SOMETHING LIKE THAT!
RUCI, THAT !!

SO IT WAS A DREAM.
SFX. LIFT
BUT...
SFX. FLASHBACK

GAHHHH!
THAT WAS SUCH A HORRIBLE DREAM!
EVEN IF ONE WERE TO SAY THAT IT WAS JUST A DREAM...
EUN-AH I DID...
WITH RUCI...!!
GAHH
IF THAT KIND OF THING WERE TO REALLY HAPPEN, I'LL KILL RUCI!!
WHAT DID I DO?

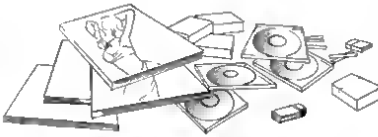
WHY WOULD YOU KILL ME?
HEEK!
WHAT? DID YOU DREAM ABOUT ME?
NO I CAN'T FALL FOR HIS TRAP
UH... UH...
WHY DID YOU COME IN THROUGH MY BEDROOM WINDOW?
I WENT OUT LAST NIGHT AND WHEN I RETURNED MY BEDROOM WINDOW WAS LOCKED, SO

ANYWAY IT'S TODAY RIGHT? THE PARTY THAT GRANDPA IS THROWING
SFX: SWISH
DO YOUR BEST...
SFX: LOSING SPIRIT
I HAVE TO GET SOME REST NOW
V V V V
SFX: YAWN
W... WHY IS THAT GUY
ALWAYS THERE? SO FRUSTRATING... AND ISN'T HE GOING TO SCHOOL?

I AM SORRY FOR THE SUDDEN INTRUSION, BUT BEFORE HOMEROOM, WE WILL BE SEARCHING YOUR PERSONAL BELONGINGS.
THE STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND HIS MINIONS
SFX: CROWD NOISE
WHAT? DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
THE PRESIDENT LOOKS LIKE HE'S IN A BAD MOOD.
STUDENTS CARRYING ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ALLOWED ARE ASKED TO TURN THEMSELVES IN
ALSO PLEASE NOTE THAT ITEMS LIKE CIGARETTES AND ALCOHOL ARE NOT GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH.
AUH?
SFX: SHUT

SHOOT WE ALMOST GOT CAUGHT
SERIOUSLY
SFX. LIGHT
SFX. EXHALE
AHH... THE CIGARETTE TASTES GOOD! ESPECIALLY IF YOU SMOKE WHILE SKIPPING CLASS
YUM, YUP
DON'T YOU THINK THAT THE PRESIDENT IS A PAIN LATELY?
I KNOW HE'S ALWAYS SO STRICT, AND ALL THE GIRLS ARE ALWAYS GOING "KYAAA"
I BET HE WAS MADE PRESIDENT BECAUSE HE'S THE SON OF A BIG TYCOON
I think all authoritative guys are a pain
HE PROBABLY GAVE A LOT OF BRIBE MONEY
IT'S MONEY THAT GAVE HIM ALL THAT
SFX. SURPRISED
I'M SORRY FOR HAVING A LOT OF MONEY

P...PRESIDENT
Why are you here
DID YOU THINK I WOULDN'T NOTICE YOU GUYS SNEAKING OUT OF CLASS? YOU MIGHT HAVE FOOLED THE OTHERS, BUT NOT ME!
AND he's in a bad mood
S—SORRY—
W—WE—JUST
HAND IT OVER!
SFX: REACH
?
Even the ones that are already lit



WOW THERE ARE A LOT TODAY
YEAH

THEY SAY THAT YOU UNCOVERED ALL THESE THAT'S AMAZING I COULD NEVER TELL IF THEY WERE HIDING ANYTHING OR NOT
YEAH
REALLY AMAZING
SFX: REACH

SFX. SNATCH BACK
BUT, PRESIDENT!
HM?
SFX. TURN
IS IT TRUE THAT YOU'RE ENGAGED?
EK
HAA.
THESE PUNKS.

THEY ALL ENJOY BUTTING INTO OTHERS' BUSINESSES.
I TOO SOMETIMES
SIMPLY WANT TO GO ALL OUT.
SFX. EXHALE

SFX. WHEEZE COUGH
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?!
IT'S LIKE I'M BREATHING IN SMOKE FROM BURNING COALS!
SFX. COUGH
IS THIS WHAT THOSE GUYS SAID "TASTE GOOD"?
URRGGG
TCH! THINKING OF COALS IT REMINDS ME OF THAT TIME
A LONG TIME AGO, OUR HOUSE HAD A COAL BURNER
AND I'M THE ONE IN CHARGE OF CHANGING IT
H. HEAVY
SFX. STRUGGLE

ONCE THERE WAS THIS STRANGE SMELL WHILE WE WERE ASLEEP SO I WOKE MOM UP
MOM, MOM
UHNN
SFX. JUMP UP
THERE'S THIS WEIRD SMELL
WHAT?!
OPEN ALL THE WINDOWS AND LET THE AIR COME THROUGH!
SFX. COUGH COUGH
THE SMOKE CAME THROUGH THE FLOOR
HERE, DRINK THIS SOUP
OKAY
IT COULD'VE TURNED REALLY SERIOUS IF I HADN'T NOTICED. WE COULD'VE BEEN SEEING "THE LIGHT"
SFX. SNAP
COMPARED TO BACK THEN, THINGS ARE SO MUCH BETTER
HUH?

HEEK
<3
IT'S
@YU-YUN!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? AT WHERE ARE YOUR GLASSES!
HUH?
@UN...
@UN-AH!
SFX: BACK AWAY

I TOOK THEM OFF WHEN I WAS WASHING MY FACE BUT A CROW CAME AND TOOK... THEN, YOU KNOW HOW CROWS LIKE SHINY THINGS
THE PERSON I WANTED TO MEET THE LEAST...
NOPE, I DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING
O...OH YEAH?
SO I CAME UP HERE, WHERE CROWS' NESTS ARE FOUND. DID YOU SEE ANYTH NG?

TAKE IS SOMETHING I GOT FROM THE CHECK-UP EARLIER.
YEAH?
AH. IT'S NOT HERE.
ARE YOU SURE THAT THE CROW BROUGHT IT HERE?
NO. IT COULD HAVE HAD A NEST IN THE TREE TOPS.
T...TREE TOPS?
I NEED MY GLASSES.
WHY? YOU DON'T HAVE ANYMORE CLASSES TODAY
YEAH, BUT
DO YOU HAVE CONTACTS?
THEY'RE AT HOME. I DON'T BRING THEM.

I MADE A PROMISE WITH YOU, THAT I WOULDN'T TAKE OFF MY GLASSES
IT'S OKAY NOT TO KEEP THAT PROMISE ANYMORE
OKAY
HUH? WHAT DID YOU SAY?

WHY?
DON'T YOU KNOW WHY I TOLD YOU TO NEVER TAKE OFF YOUR GLASSES?
I'M...
NOT SURE

HAAA
IF YOU DON'T KNOW THEN, FORGET IT. ANYWAY, YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT ANYMORE.
WHY?
IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE REASON WHY I TOLD YOU TO NEVER TAKE OFF YOUR GLASSES,
BECAUSE THERE'S NO LONGER ANY NEED.

ARE YOU MAD?
GYU-YUN.
ARE YOU? WHAT DID I DO WRONG?
NOTHING
IT'S JUST OVER.

I'M JUST A LITTLE FRUSTRATED
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I GO AGAINST GRANDFATHER'S WILL EVEN IF I WANT TO BE WITH EUN-AH
IN THE EN
NO MATTER HOW MUCH I LIKE HER, WHAT CAN I DO

IN THE END SHE DOESN'T EVEN NOTICE ME
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I SAW GYU-YUH MAKE THAT KIND OF FACE.
IS HE UPSET BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW?
BUT... WHAT WAS THE REASON WHY HE TOLD ME NOT TO TAKE OFF MY GLASSES?

WHAT IS IT?
I HAVE TO FIND OUT
IF I DON'T,
GYU-YUN WILL REMAIN...
SCARY
I'M SCARED
OF GYU-YUN BEING
UPSET

THAT'S WHY
RUKI
WANT TO HANG OUT WITH LIE TODAY?
CAN'T!
THERE'S SOMETHING GOING ON AT THE HOUSE TODAY LATER.
AWW REALLY!? OH WELL
CALL ME NEXT TIME, ALRIGHT?
The one who came to school in the after-noon.

SFX. REACH
WHAT?
FOUND YOU
?
WHAT? YOU NEED SOMETHING?
A LITTLE-
YOU SAID THAT YOU KNEW GYU-YUN WELL, RIGHT?

MEH... WELL... SINCE WE'RE BROTHERS, I KNOW ENOUGH
THEN...
TELL ME.
YOU
WHERE ARE YOUR GLASSES?
WHAT? MY GLASSES?
AND....

DID YOU CRY?
NO... I DIDN'T
IT'S JUST THAT BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE MY GLASSES, MY EYES WERE HURTING
SFX: HEHE
OH YEAH?
SO WHAT'S YOUR QUESTION?
UM...
YOU SAID SO LAST TIME TOO
WHAT?

?
THAT THERE WAS NO WAY THAT A "FRIEND" WOULD TELL ME TO NOT TAKE OFF MY GLASSES...
IS THERE ANY SPECIAL REASON AS TO WHY I SHOULDN'T TAKE OFF MY GLASSES?
THERE'S NO REAL "SPECIAL REASON", BUT...
DID HE SAY SOMETHING ABOUT WHY YOU WEREN'T WEARING YOUR GLASSES?
IT'S NOT THAT! HE SAID THAT THERE WAS NO NEED TO KEEP THAT PROMISE ANYMORE!
HA
THAT'S WHY YOU CRIED?
NO!

IT'S JUST THAT HE SEEMED A LITTLE ANGRY WHEN HE SAID THAT.
SO I ASKED HIM WHAT I DID WRONG, BUT...
THIS IS EXACTLY...
USUALLY, IT WOULDN'T HOLD ANY SPECIAL MEANINGS, BUT...
FOR HIM, PERHAPS IT DID
REALLY? DO YOU KNOW WHAT IS IT?
I AM NOT EXACTLY SURE, BUT THIS IS JUST A HUNCH
EVEN SO, TELL ME

DO YOU WANT ANYTHING? I'LL GIVE YOU ANYTHING.

FORGET IT.

WHAT?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT THIS TIME
JUST FOLLOW ME.

YOUR GRANDFATHER SAYS YOU ARE TO COME DOWN ONCE YOU ARE READY
YOUNG MASTER.
I UNDERSTAND SO PLEASE LEAVE FIRST
UNDERSTOOD!
THANK YOU FOR COMING

IT HAS BEEN AWHILE SINCE PRESIDENT SHIN THREW A PARTY...
IT IS ONLY A PARTY FOR THE PRESIDENT'S ACQUAINTANCES, BUT...
THEN, THIS LADY MUST BE...
YES, MY GRAND-DAUGHTER.
YOUR SON IS ALSO OF AGE TO BE ENGAGED NOW!
SHE'S VERY BEAUTIFUL.
YOUR GRANDSON?
HE'S ON HIS WAY DOWN
HMPH. YOU CAME?
FATHER.

GRANDFATHER, FATHER.
SFX. PLEASED
HOOO
COME HERE THEY HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU
HERE THIS IS THE PRESIDENT OF J-GROUP
I AM PLEASED TO MEET YOU, SIR. I AM SHIN GYU-YUN.
AH, GREET-NGS

AND THIS IS YOUR FIANCÉE-TO-BE, CHOI YOUNG-EUN
HELLO
VERY PRETTY
I AM PLEASED TO MEET YOU I AM SHIN GYU-YUN
SO, WHEN SHOULD WE HOLD THE CEREMONY? WHICH, FOR THE MARRIAGE, OR FOR THE ENGAGEMENT?
YOU SAY ONE. OF COURSE THE ENGAGE MENT COMES FIRST
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT! THE QUICKER, THE BETTER, THOUGH!
THESE OLD MEN
THAT'S TOO MUCH, GRANDFATHER.

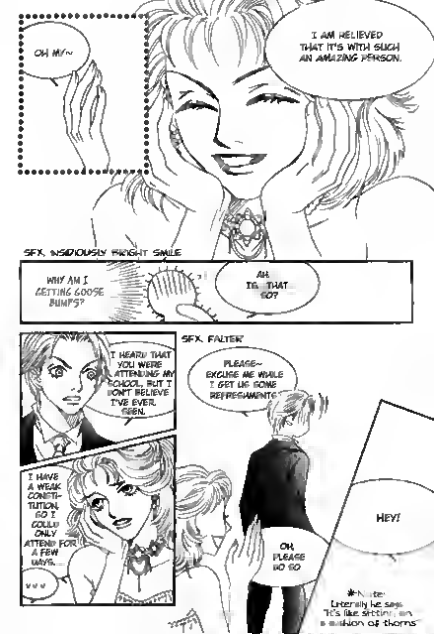
WEREN'T YOU GOING TO INTRODUCE YOUR OTHER GRANDSON, GRANDFATHER?
OH MY!
RUDI, WHY ARE YOU TWO HERE?
I TOLD YOU TO STAY IN YOUR ROOM!
SFX. ANGRY
DON'T WORRY GRAND-FATHER. I WON'T GET DRUNK AND CAUSE AN UPROAR LIKE LAST TIME
IT'S HYUNG-NIM'S FIRST "MEETING", ISN'T IT?

I HAVE A PARTNER.
AND ON TOP OF THAT
SFX. OHHH
SFX. PULL IN
WHAT IS HE THINKING?!
MY THIS IS ONE CUTE LADY
THEN, PLEASE DO ENJOY YOURSELF
THANK YOU!
SFX. SHAKE
SFX. STRAIN
THAT SON OF A
Can't see a thing without her glasses

SO THIS MUST BE HYUNG'S FIANCEE?
THIS GIRL
HMMM~
NEH~ THIS SHOULD BE FUN
THEN WE WILL TAKE OUR LEAVE.
GOOD LUCK, HYUNG
THAT
RIGHT RIGHT YOU TWO, TOO
GO SOMEWHERE AND HAVE A CHAT
YES IT MUST BE DIFFICULT WITH US OLD FOLKS AROUND

WHAT?
AND SINCE RICI BROUGHT HIS GIRLFRIEND... YOU YOUNG ONES SHOULD GET TOGETHER AND TALK...
THEN, SHALL WE GO?
YES..
O...OKAY~
GO AND TALK TO EACH OTHER AND GET TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER.
YOU TWO WILL SOON BE A COUPLE, YOU KNOW.
I THINK THEY LIKE EACH OTHER.
NOW, YOU WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT YOUR SUCCESSOR.

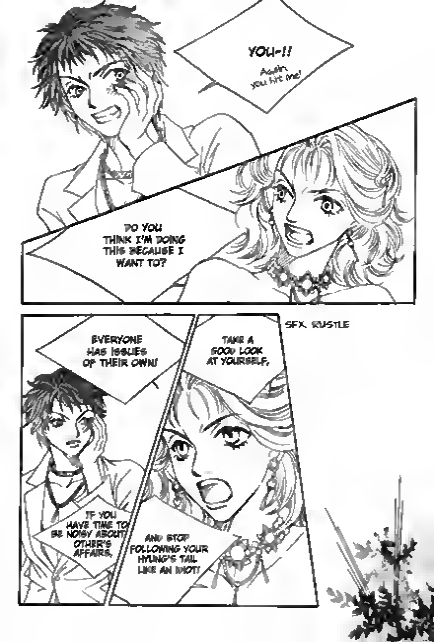
EKK
EXACTLY WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO SAY?
IF THEY'RE GOING TO CALL ME OUT ON THEIR WHIM, AT LEAST GIVE ME A TOPIC OF CONVERSATION
How unconventional!
DOESN'T LADY YOUNG-EUN DISAPPROVE OF ALL THIS?
WHAT?
AN ENGAGEMENT THAT NEITHER OF US HAD A SAY IN.


OH MY~
I AM RELIEVED THAT IT'S WITH SUCH AN AMAZING PERSON.
SFX. INSIDIOUSLY FRIGHT SMILE
WHY AM I GETTING GOOSE BUMPS?
AH. IS THAT SO?
I HEARD THAT YOU WERE ATTENDING MY SCHOOL. BUT I DON'T BELIEVE I'VE EVER SEEN.
SFX. FALTER
PLEASE~ EXCUSE ME WHILE I GET US SOME REFRESHMENTS.
I HAVE A WEAK CONSTITUTION, SO I COULD ONLY ATTEND FOR A FEW DAYS.
HEY!
OH, PLEASE DO GO
*Note: Literally he says "It's like getting an invasion of thorns"

LONG TIME NO SEE.
W. WHO MIGHT YOU BE?
WHAT AN EXTREME MAKE-OVER.
YOU DON'T REMEMBER? I'M HURT
EVEN AFTER YOU HIT ME LIKE THAT

HMPH!
AND HERE I WAS WONDERING HOW YOU WERE ABLE TO STAND ALL THAT ANGSTY ON GIRLS... SO IT'S BECAUSE YOU ARE PART OF THE SKIN TRADE INDUSTRY, HUH.
AH?
WHAT?
ARE YOU GOING TO TELL ON YOUR HYUNG ABOUT WHAT KIND OF GIRL I AM?
NOT REALLY
SFX: SWISH
I COULD CARE LESS ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS TO THAT GUY.
OH YEAH?

THEN BE GONE!
SFX. HEH
YOU'RE PRETTY FUNNY
AT THE CLUB, YOU TALK AND ACT HOWEVER YOU WANT BUT HERE YOU'RE ACTING LIKE AN ACTUAL LADY
BUT, OF COURSE, SINCE YOU ARE DEALING WITH THE SUCCESSOR OF SHIN DONG CORPORATION, AFTER ALL
SFX. SLAP


YOU-!!
Again you hit me!
DO YOU THINK I'M DOING THIS BECAUSE I WANT TO?
SFX: RUSTLE
EVERYONE HAS TROUBLES OF THEIR OWN!
TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT YOURSELF.
IF YOU HAVE TIME TO BE NOSY ABOUT OTHER'S AFFAIRS,
AND STOP FOLLOWING YOUNG'S TAIL LIKE AN IDIOT!

SFX. HAND
I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF DRINK YOU WANTED SO I BROUGHT SOMETHING CARBONATED
SFX. BRIGHT SMILE
AH!

I'M GOING TO GO FIX MY MAKE-UP
SFX. TUKEN
SFX. HEELS CLICKING
HEH~ SO DID YOU ALREADY KNOW SHE WAS "THAT" KIND OF PERSON?
NOT REALLY~ I JUST DIDN'T HAVE ANY INTEREST
BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY
HOW DID YOU BRING BUN-AH HERE?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, HOW? IF ANYONE HEARD THAT THEY WOULD THINK I KIDNAPPED HER. I SIMPLY ASKED HER TO COME, AND SHE CAME

EUN-AH IS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS. PLEASE TAKE HER AND LEAVE.
ARE YOU THAT UNCOMFORTABLE WITH YOUR EX-LOVER HERE AT YOUR PARTY?
WE WERE NEVER LOVERS.
ONE CAN ONLY SAY THAT IF BOTH PEOPLE FEEL THE SAME FOR EACH OTHER.
THERE WAS NEVER ANYTHING BETWEEN ME AND EUN-AH.

HEH!
SAVE ME YOUR SOB STORY. KEEP USING THAT EXCUSE, AND WALLOW IN YOUR MISERY THEN.
YOU-!
IN THIS KIND OF SITUATION, WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO?!
THEN TELL ME, WHAT SHOULD I DO?!

I HAVE A FUTURE THAT'S GUARANTEED!
YOU WANT ME TO THROW THAT AWAY FOR A PERSON WHO DOESN'T EVEN LIKE ME?
AT THE VERY LEAST, IF EUN-AH HAD THOUGHT OF ME AS MORE THAN A FRIEND
HEH.
THAT'S WHY I SAY YOU'RE A GOOD-FOR-NOTHING

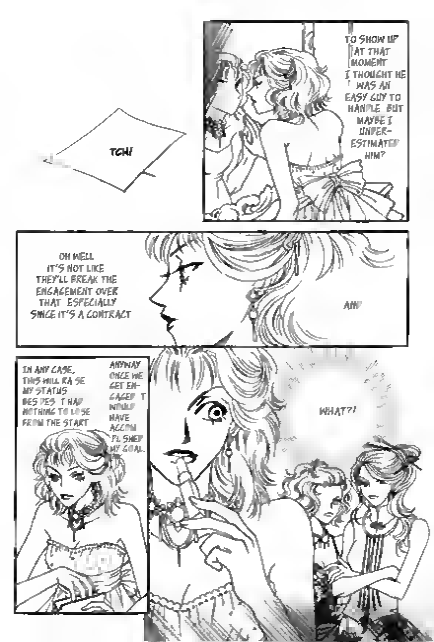
ALL THAT MATTERS FOR ME..
IS THAT I LIKE HER!
IF I LIKE HER, THAT'S IT. I WON'T CARE WHAT SHE THINKS OF ME.
EVEN IF SHE DOESN'T LIKE ME.

SFX. CLENCH
DON'T MESS WITH ME!
I WILL JUST USE FORCE TO MAKE HER MINE!

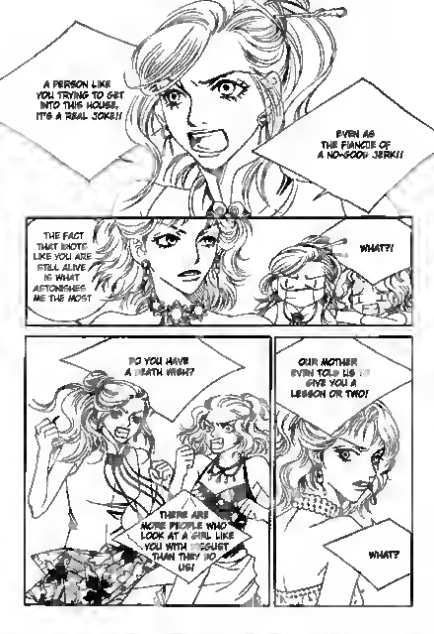
IF YOU DO SOMETHING TO EUN-AH
I'LL KILL YOU!
I THOUGHT THERE WAS NOTHING BETWEEN THE TWO OF YOU?
EVEN SO, I CAN'T STAND BY AND WATCH A GUY LIKE YOU HURT HER!
BECAUSE EVEN IF EUN-AH ONLY THINKS OF ME AS NOTHING MORE THAN A FRIEND, I LIKE HER...
NO...

IT MIGHT
EVEN BE LOVE...

WHAT A FORTUNATE PERSON!
MUMBLE
TCH!
WHAT?
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
DO YOU THINK I'M GOING TO TELL YOU THAT
SAY WHAT? I DIDN'T SAY A THING
THAT SLIGHT POSSIBILITY IS
I'M NOT SUCH A NICE GUY


TCH!
TO SHOW UP AT THAT MOMENT I THOUGHT HE WAS AN EASY GUY TO HANDLE BUT MAYBE I UNDER-ESTIMATED HIM?
OH WELL IT'S NOT LIKE THEY'LL BREAK THE ENGAGEMENT OVER THAT ESPECIALLY SINCE IT'S A CONTRACT
AHH
IN ANY CASE, THIS WILL RAISE MY STATUS BECAUSE I HAD NOTHING TO LOSE FROM THE START
ANYWAY ONCE WE GET ENGAGED I WOULD HAVE ACCOMPLISHED MY GOAL.
WHAT?!

HEY, CHOI YOUNG-EUN~
HMPH! THOSE STUPID SISTERS!
IT LOOKS JUST LIKE YOU WRITE EVERYTHING IN A PIECE OF PAPER AND STUCK IT ON YOUR FOREHEAD~
WITH THAT NASTY TEMPER OF YOURS, IT PISSGUST ME JUST THINK ME ABOUT IT!
HUH?
I THINK IT'S BETTER THAN YOURS
WHAT DID YOU SAY? YOU LITTLE!


A PERSON LIKE YOU TRYING TO GET INTO THIS HOUSE, IT'S A REAL JOKE!!
EVEN AS THE FIANCÉE OF A NO-GOOD JERK!!
THE FACT THAT SNOTS LIKE YOU ARE STILL ALIVE IS WHAT ASTONISHES ME THE MOST
WHAT?!
DO YOU HAVE A DEATH WISH?
THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE WHO LOOK AT A GIRL LIKE YOU WITH DISGUST THAN THEY DO LUST
OUR MOTHER EVEN TOLD US TO GIVE YOU A LESSON OR TWO!
WHAT?

IS THAT TRUE?
OF COURSE! SHE TOLD ME TO PAY YOU BACK WITH INTEREST BEFORE YOU BECOME ENGAGED TO HYUN YUN...
WHAT'S THIS? THE F-KIN' LOOKING SUCCESSOR TO THE SHIN DONG CORP HAS MORE ENEMIES THAN I THOUGHT
THIS LOOKS LIKE IT WILL GET PANDEMONIUM
BUT
NO MATTER. HOW MUCH OF A COMMOTION YOU GIRLS STIR, I'M STILL GOING TO GET ENGAGED--
THAT WAY I CAN ALSO KEEP MY POSITION AS THE HEAD WITHIN J-GROUP
BECAUSE THE OLD TIMERS WHOSE HEADS HAVE ALL BECOME FOSSILIZED ARE ALWAYS GOING AROUND SAYING THAT THE LEADER HAS TO BE A GUY--
BUT EVEN THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO PIT A SCUMBAG IF IT'S THE SHIN DONG CORP, DON'T YOU THINK?
IS THAT YOU, HAE-RI?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
HUH? WHO IS SHE?!
SHE'S CUTE.
YOU, DO YOU KNOW LIS?
HUH? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
IT'S ME, EUN-AH, YUN EUN-AH. YOU DON'T REMEMBER?
L LIES!

YOU'RE THAT ONE THAT RUCI OR WHATEVER-HIS-NAME-WAS BROUGHT.
WHAT??
WASN'T SHE GYU-YUN'S GIRLFRIEND? WHY WAS SHE WITH RUCI?
WHAT DID YOU COME HERE FOR?
HUH?
I CAME HERE BECAUSE RUCI SAID I WOULD FIND MY ANSWER, BUT
I'M NOT SURE.
WHAT ARE THEY TALKING ABOUT? WHAT ANSWER?
BUT IF WE ASK THEM THEN OUR MOTHER WOULD GET ANGRY. SO
HEY, LET'S TAKE CARE OF TARAN NOW!
SHE'S PRETTY LATE.
BOTH OF THEM!

SHE SAID SHE WOULD GO FIX HER MAKE UP... WHAT'S TAKING HER SO LONG?
ARE YOU NERVOUS?
NOT REALLY, BUT WOULDN'T IT BE MY RESPONSIBILITY IF ANYTHING WERE TO HAPPEN SINCE I'M HER ESCORT?
YOU CAN NEVER TELL WHAT OR WHEN THINGS WILL HAPPEN IN THIS HOUSE.
YOU! WHERE'S EUN-AH?
!
Heek
...DON'T

SFX. WHAM
LOOK DOWN ON PEOPLE...!
IF I WERE GOING TO GIVE UP THIS EASILY, I WOULD'VE NEVER STARTED IT TO BEGIN WITH!
DON'T
WOW — AMAZING
IT'S MY FIRST TIME SEEING SOMEONE SO STRONG SO COOL!
WHAAAT? MY COMPLEX !!
SFX. CHONO
WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE SHE HAS SOME SENSE SAYING THAT I'M COOL
EUN-AH!

ARE YOU HURT?
NOPE
HUH?
THAT PERSON IS REALLY STRONG
N... NOT REALLY THINGS JUST HAPPENED.
TO SAY THAT IN FRONT OF MY BETROTHED! MY COVER IS TOTALLY BLOWN
YEAH?
WHAT'S WITH THAT REACTION?

HM~ THAT GIRL... IS SUCH A PARTNER, BUT... WHO ARE YOU THE ONE IS CONCERNED?
SHE IS...
BUT SHE IS ALSO MY FRIEND.
LET'S SEE~
SFX: REACH
I'M TIRED.

MR. FIANCE,
WON'T YOU TAKE ME TO A PLACE FOR ME TO REST?
Whistle
SFX. SLIP
UNDERSTOOD!

KEIGI
WHAT?
TAKE CARE OF EUN-AH.
"FIANCE" ?
WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

I THINK IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE SOMETHING JOYFUL BUT YET
I FEEL AS IF THAT WORD IS A KNIFE PIERCING THROUGH MY HEART

HEY..
MM?
YOU'RE TIRED AFTER ALL THIS, RIGHT?
I'LL TAKE YOU HOME, SO LET'S GO
OH, THANKS

Chapter 13 Glass Fragments
Transcendence

UWAA!
OUCH! THERE'S SOMETHING OVER HERE!

AHHHHH
IT IT'S A DEAD BODY!
SOMEONE HELP!
ANYONE?

drip

WHAT?
WHY HAS EVERYONE STOPPED EATING
AND IS STARING AT ME?
I BIT SOMETHING
IT TASTES LIKE COPPER
WHAT? WHAT'S THIS?

GYU-YUN! HOW CAN YOU STAY SO CALM?
YES, SIR.
CALL A DOCTOR!
BUTLER KWON! BRING THE FIRST-AID KIT!
YOUNG MASTER, THIS WAY
EUNN! WHAT IN THE WORLD DID YOU DO?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN? ALL I DID WAS PUT A STONE IN IT!
SO THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU BITE A ROCK?
HOW WOULD I KNOW? PERHAPS IT WAS SHARP

HEH SO THAT WOMAN IS UP TO SOMETHING AGAIN HUH
LOOK AT FATHER'S FACE
WHATEVER, IT WAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME

IT IS A SHARD OF GLASS
WHAT?
WHY WAS THAT IN MY BREAKFAST?
I'M NOT SURE BUT IT IS A GOOD THING YOU BIT IT
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "GOOD"? HE INSIDE OF MY MOUTH, RIPPED
IF THIS SHARD HAD GOTTEN LODGED IN YOUR THROAT...
YOUNG MASTER!
YOU MUST TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF
THERE ARE MANY WHO DESPISE THE FACT THAT YOU'VE BEEN CHOSEN AS THE SUCCESSOR PRIOR TO YOUR ENGAGEMENT

THIS IS MERELY THE BEGINNING
I'M WELL AWARE OF THAT
ALSO, I HAVE AN IDEA OF WHO WAS BEHIND IT

FOR WHAT REASON
POLICE
CAN WE SEE MR SHIN AND HIS WIFE?
WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE. ?
AH YES

THIS WOMAN
YOU ARE ACQUAINTED, CORRECT?
YES BUT WHY
SHE'S DEAD
EXCUSE ME
SHE DIED SHE

WAS MURDERED
SHE WAS DISCOVERED IN A DROUGHT-STRICKEN WATER RESERVOIR
WE FOUND HER TIED UP IN THE BACK OF A CAR

IN THE BEGINNING, INVESTIGATION TEAMS HAD A HARD TIME NOT ONLY BECAUSE SHE WAS A FOREIGNER, BUT SHE HAD NO RELATIVES.
WHEN IT WAS FOUND THAT THE VICTIM WAS AN ACTRESS, WE ALSO HEARD THAT...
YOU SHARED A PARTICULAR RELATIONSHIP WITH HER.
SHE WAS AN ACTRESS JUST LIKE MY WIFE HERE
SHE DOESN'T...
SHE WAS HIS MISTRESS

OH? AND...?
AS YOU ARE AWARE AS MY HUSBAND WAS THE SUCCESSOR TO THE CORPORATION, HE HAD PLENTY OF MONEY TO SPEND
AT THE TIME WHEN MY HUSBAND WAS MARRIED TO HIS PREVIOUS WIFE ELENA CAME INTO THE PICTURE
THEN, IS THE CAUSE OF HIS PREVIOUS DIVORCE DUE TO ELENA?
UH... SUNRAE THAT'S A PRIVATE MATTER
IN THE END YES THAT WOMAN WAS NOT THE FORGIVING SORT SHE PROBABLY COULD NOT STAND THE FACT THAT HER HUSBAND HAD A SON WITH ANOTHER WOMAN
HMM...A SON, YOU SAY?

I KNOW THIS ISN'T SOMETHING I SHOULD SAY ABOUT THE DECEASED
BUT THAT WOMAN WAS REALLY BEYOND HELP I KNEW A DAY LIKE THIS WOULD COME
YES SHE LEFT HER SON HERE AND HAPPILY WENT HER OWN WAY
SIR IS WHAT THE MADAM SAYING TRUE?
I UNDERSTAND MAY I SEE YOUR SON?
BUTLER KWON BRING RUCI
YES SIR.
GO ON
IT - IS

Uninterested
AND SO, WE HOPE FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN OUR INVESTIGATION
BEATS ME I DON'T KNOW A SINGLE THING WHEN IT COMES TO THAT WOMAN
I WAS YOUNG WHEN I WAS WITH HER, BUT ALL I KNOW IS THAT SHE CAME HERE ONCE IN AWHILE TO GET SOME MONEY
AND
SUNRAE YOU'RE GREAT
WHAT HAS HER DEATH OR WHATEVER HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH ME?!
RUCI

SLAM
RUCI!
HEH! SHE DIED!
E LIVED ONLY
OR THE PRESENT
IN THE END
GOOD!!
WIFE.

DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO ME?
WHAT WOULD THAT BE?
YEAH?
GRANDFATHER?

OH, COME CLOSER HOW IS YOUR MOUTH?
IT'S FINE
YEAH?
IT'S ABOUT THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GLASS INCIDENT
I
I IMMEDIATELY FIRED THE COOK
HMPH TO PLACE GLASS INTO ONE'S FOOD
I DON'T THINK IT'S A PROBLEM THAT CAN BE SOLVED BY JUST FIRING A COOK
YOU'RE GOING ON A SCHOOL TRIP TOMORROW?
I SEE. WHERE?
YES

...IS WHAT GYU-YUN SAID, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE'S TALKING ABOUT.
A RECONSTRUCTED PHONE?
HE TOLD ME NOT TO TAKE OFF MY GLASSES. BUT IS THERE A SPECIAL MEANING IN THAT?
CLICK
PROFESSOR, WHAT ARE YOU DOING??
I WONDER WHY DADDY DOESN'T REALLY KNOW.
THAT EVIL PUNK! MAKING MY EUN-AH SUFFER?
MY EUN-AH MUST WEAR GLASSES BECAUSE HER VISION IS NOT GOOD AND IT'S UNFAIR THAT SHE HAS TO COVER THOSE BEAUTIFUL EYES
CLENCH
PROFESSOR..
AH!

D...DON'T TELL ME. IT WAS F...FOR THAT REASON
PROFESSOR!
SUNAH'S EYES ARE VERY PRETTY
WHEN SUNAH TAKES OFF HER GLASSES SHE'S WILD ABOUT PRETTY
FATHER'S ANALYSIS
HE DOESN'T LIKE TO SHOW ANYONE ELSE SUNAH'S BEAUTY
THAT PLINK IS
PROFESSOR, IT LOOKS LIKE IT MIGHT BLOW UP!
THE ABSOLUTE WORST!
clank
clank
poof
Eeeeaaahhhhhh

EUN-AH, ABOUT THAT...
NO... WAIT!
IF I TELL EUN-AH THE TRUTH
WON'T THAT MAKE HER INTERESTED IN THAT GOOD-FOR-NOTHING BOY?
NO. THAT CAN'T HAPPEN!
YOU WILL HAVE TO TRY THINKING SOME MORE ON THAT MATTER, EUN-AH YOUR DAD ISN'T TOO SURE
OH AND ALSO
WHAT IS A "FIANCE?"
WHAT?
D... DID YOU JUST SAY "FIANCE?" WHO... WHAT... JUST WHO DO THEY

A GIRL NAMED CHOI YOUNG-EUN CALLED GYU-YUN THAT
WHAT? THAT PUNK IS A PLAYBOY?
Death
Playboy
I... I CAN'T FORGIVE HIM EVEN THOUGH HE HAD MY EUN-AH HE DARED...
GRAND
GRAND
DAD ARE YOU LISTENING?
I'M GOING TO...!
WAIT RIGHT THERE EUN-AH. YOUR DAD WILL FLY THERE AND...
WHAT? I CAN'T?
WHY?
YOU'RE GOING ON A SCHOOL TRIP?

YEAH? THEN I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED
BUT!!
IF THAT PUNK MAKES MY EUN-AH CRY, THEN YOU MUST TELL YOUR DAD!
I HAVE SOMETHING AGAINST HACKING INTO NASA'S SATELLITE BUT F IT'S TO TAKE OUT THAT PUNK... I YOU KNOW THAT RIGHT? THAT LASER THAT WIPED OUT A PLANET IN THE MOVIE "STAR WARS" REAGAN MADE ONE I'M SURE IT'S STILL OPERATIONAL
FIRED UP
AH...
DAD... YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO THAT FAR
ENJOY YOUR TRIP, YOUNG MASTER
SHUT DOOR
?

FATHER?
GRIN
I'LL TAKE YOU THERE.♡
TELL HIM TO GET GOING...
HMPH! EXACTLY WHAT IS HE THINKING? TO GO AS FAR AS TO DROP ME OFF...
FATHER, ARE YOU NOT GOING TO WORK?

YEAH?
WHAT IS WRONG WITH THIS PERSON?
ISN'T HE THE ONE WHO WOULD GO ABROAD AND STAY FOR MONTHS OR EVEN A YEAR AT A TIME? HE'S ACTING LIKE SOMEONE I DON'T KNOW
WELL IN MY OPINION
I THINK IT'S MORE DANGEROUS FOR ME TO STAY HOME
Who knows what lawyers
HOWEVER, I DO FEEL A LITTLE UNCOMFORTABLE, SENDING OFF MY SON
BUT IF YOU STAY HOME THEN YOUR DAD CAN PROTECT YOU
DON'T SAY SUCH STUPID THINGS! WHAT DO YOU MEAN "PROTECT"?!

WHY IN THE WORLD IS THIS PERSON ACTING LIKE THIS?!
IS THERE A REASON WHY I CAN'T GO?
YOUNG MASTER, WE HAVE ARRIVED.
IF YOU WILL EXCUSE ME.
HURRY AND GO TO WORK, FATHER
REACH
FATHER?
BE CAREFUL.

W... WHAT?
DO YOU THINK I WON'T BE?
I BET I'M MORE CAREFUL THAN YOU, FATHER.
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THAT!!
LISTEN TO ME!
BE ALERT, AND NEVER LET YOUR GUARD DOWN!
ALWAYS BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS!
I UNDERSTAND
LET ME GO

SIR
ISN'T IT OKAY NOT TO WORRY THAT MUCH? THE YOUNG MASTER ALWAYS DOES HIS BEST.
IT'S BECAUSE YOU DON'T KNOW!
THAT GLASS FRAGMENT INCIDENT WAS INTENDED AS A WARNING TO ME...
NOW THAT THINGS HAVE TURNED THIS DIRECTION, I CAN'T LET MY GUARD DOWN
THE LAST TIME I DID THAT

I LOST A PRECIOUS PERSON
HONEY YOUR LEG?
OH, I SLIPPED ON THE STAIRS
YOU HAVE TO BE CAREFUL. FOR SOME REASON, YOU SEEM TO BE GETTING INJURED A LOT LATELY
HEHE, YOU WORRY-WART
HOW CAN I NOT WORRY? YOU SHOULDN'T EVEN BE MOVING SO MUCH
I'M FINE I'M FINE

SCREEEEECH
KYAA!
SOMEONE GOT HIT!
A SCHOOL TRIP AT A TIME LIKE THIS
WHAT?

MY SEAT IS...
HUH? ISN'T SHE IN MY SEAT?
DARLING! OVER HERE!
HEH, DON'T YOU DARE
THIS IS THE WORST
I'M AT THE END OF THE ROPE
I WONDER IF IT REALLY IS A GOOD THING RUKI ISN'T HERE

PLEASE FASTEN YOUR SEAT BELTS WE WILL BE TAKING OFF
NORTHERN AIR
WE WILL GO TO NEW ZEALAND RIDING THIS PLANE AND...
THERE
TO NEW ZEALAND...
NEW ZEALAND
WE ENDED UP DECIDING TO GO ABROAD EVEN THOUGH I WAS AGAINST IT
REALLY WE'RE ONLY GOING FOR A WEEK THE ROUND-TRIP FARE IS A COMPLETE WASTE
DO WE REALLY HAVE TO GO ABROAD? THERE ARE PLENTY OF PLACES IN KOREA WHERE WE COULD GO AT A TIME LIKE THIS WHEN OUR CURRENCY IS SO WEAK
CLENCH
RUMBLE

AHHH
KYAA
W...WHAT IS THIS?!
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
DEAR PASSENGERS, WE ARE SORRY DUE TO UNFAVORABLE AIR CURRENTS, THE FLIGHT WILL BE A LITTLE TURBULENT.
PLEASE SIT TIGHT AND DO NOT WORRY AS THERE ARE NO PROBLEMS WITH THE PLANE ITSELF.
WHAT'S WITH THIS DUBIOUS START?
FOR SOME REASON, IT LOOKS LIKE THIS SCHOOL TRIP WON'T BE TROUBLE-FREE

ALWAYS BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS!
I GUESS EVEN FATHER CAN SAY USEFUL THINGS SOMETIMES HUH?
GULP
ON TOP OF THAT...
THE PLANNING OF THIS SCHOOL TRIP...
WAS ODD.
WHAT WERE THE TEACHERS THINKING WHEN THEY GAVE APPROVAL FOR THE TRIP?
DID THEY WATCH TOO MUCH TV?
THE ONE WHO MADE THE PLANS
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M THE ONE GOING ANYWAY
-SENTOR

CLICK
HM?
WHO AT SUCH A LATE HOUR?
TCH! I TOLD HIM NOT TO LOCK THE WINDOWS LIKE THAT
RETURNING AFTER AN ALL NIGHT PARTY
OH, IT'S HER WHAT'S SHE DOING AT A TIME LIKE THIS?

IS THAT TRUE?
THEN, IF AN ACCIDENT WERE TO OCCUR DURING THE SCHOOL TRIP, NO ONE WOULD KNOW, RIGHT?
HEH!
SO IT'S ABOUT GYU-YUN, HUH? WHAT IS SHE PLANNING THIS TIME?
WHATEVER IT IS, SHE SEEMS MORE SERIOUS THIS TIME ROUND
WELL, WHATEVER HAPPENS TO HIM, IS NONE OF MY BUSINESS
FATHER WILL BE A LITTLE SAD, BUT...
ABOUT THAT

WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT LAST INCIDENT?
WHAT ARE YOU THINKING, COMING OUT AFTER ONLY A FEW YEARS?!
IF YOU MAKE A MISTAKE WE'RE GOING TO GET CAUGHT FOR THE FIRST INCIDENT TOO
THE POLICE ARE SUSPICIOUS
ALRIGHT. THEN TAKE CARE OF IT

THE INCIDENT WITH ELENA CAN NEVER BE REVEALED...
DON'T TELL ME, THIS WOMAN...?!

NO WAY.
TO MOTHER...
FALTER

smack
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
OH MY, SO YOU WERE AWAKE?
NO I WAS HALF-ASLEEP I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN, SO
I GUESS YOU'RE NOT AS SOFT AS YOU LOOK
BUT I'M THE ONE ENGAGED TO YOU. THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO BE LIKE THAT WITH ME RIGHT?

PISSED
THIS IS THE 2ND PERSON I SHOULD WATCH OUT FOR...
THE FIRST BEING MY STEPMOTHER...
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PERSON WHO WAS SUPPOSED TO SIT BESIDE ME?
I TRADED SEATS.
.....
GOOD NIGHT...
WHAT?
WE'RE FINALLY ALONE TOGETHER. LET'S AT LEAST TALK A LITTLE...
THE TWO OF US, HEH...
YOU KNOW, ABOUT OUR ENGAGEMENT.

THE OLD GEEZERS WERE THE ONES WHO ARRANGED THAT!
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME!
WHAT'S THIS? YOU WEREN'T LIKE THIS DURING THE PARTY
I'M ALWAYS LIKE THIS GO AWAY AND SLEEP THERE'S NOTHING BUT SUFFERING ONCE WE LAND ANYWAY
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU HAVE MANY ENEMIES
AND THAT THINGS ARE PRETTY DANGEROUS
WHAT'S YOUR POINT?
WHAT?
I HAVE A LOT OF ENEMIES TOO, YOU KNOW.
I'LL HELP YOU!

HOW ABOUT WE HELP ONE ANOTHER?
YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT MY SITUATION RIGHT?
A LITTLE...
THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US SO LET'S WORK TOGETHER.

I'LL THINK ABOUT IT.

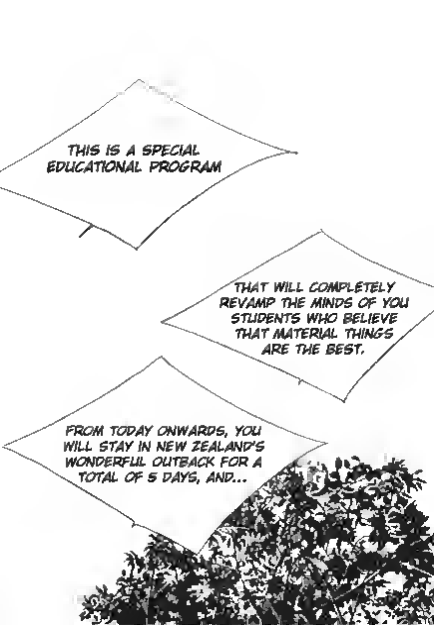
MISS
WOOOOW! LOOK AT THE SKY!
IT'S A COMPLETE DIFFERENT COLOR THAN SEOUL'S KYAA.. REALLY, TO HAVE NO SMOG IS SOMETHING GREAT, HUH!
KEHAHA. IT'S A LITTLE TOO EARLY TO CELEBRATE!
WE HAVEN'T EVEN GOTTEN TO THE MAIN EVENT YET!!
FIRST..

HAND OVER ALL YOUR LUGGAGE!!
IT HAS BEGUN

THIS IS A SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

THAT WILL COMPLETELY REVAMP THE MINDS OF YOU STUDENTS WHO BELIEVE THAT MATERIAL THINGS ARE THE BEST.

FROM TODAY ONWARDS, YOU WILL STAY IN NEW ZEALAND'S WONDERFUL OUTBACK FOR A TOTAL OF 5 DAYS, AND...



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